

## UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

5:30 P.M.

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session on Tuesday, October 28, 2025 at 5:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall at 508 E. Fourth Street, Huntingburg, Indiana. Members Kissling, Bolte, Bounds and McPherron were physically present. Member Wehr was absent. This meeting was opened to the public and made available to members of the public and the media streamed through the City of Huntingburg's YouTube channel accessed via the City of Huntingburg's website. Also present were Mayor Elkins, Clerk-Treasurer Dippel and City Attorney Schneider.

Mayor Elkins called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bolte and carried to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2025 regular meeting.

A motion was made by Bolte, seconded by McPherron and carried to approve the claims as presented.

Devin Springston, President of Destination Huntingburg, gave a recap of their previous year activities and current goals.

Energy Superintendent Reutepohler presented the monthly Gas Utility report. He informed the Board that antennas for meter reading are scheduled to be installed in November.

Reutepohler presented the monthly Electric Utility report. He noted plans to upgrade poles along Hwy 231 from Sunset Drive to Maple Street with ductile iron poles due to leaning of wooden poles. He expects to use 10 poles for this project.

Reutepohler presented a quote from Brownstown Electric Supply for a truck load of ductile iron utility poles for \$82,291.95 which includes freight. He noted they are the sole producer of these poles.

A motion was made by McPherron, seconded by Bolte and carried to accept the quote for a truck load of ductile iron utility poles in the amount of \$82,291.95.

Water Superintendent Austin presented his monthly report. He informed the Board that fall hydrant flushing is complete. He noted the ISO audit is complete. He indicated the audit went well; reports are forthcoming.

Clerk-Treasurer Dippel indicated this was the date, time and place advertised for the proposed adoption of the 2026 City budget. He noted that nothing has been changed since the public hearing on October 14, 2025.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bounds and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-27 entitled:

### **ORDINANCE FOR APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES**

(for 2026)

Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2025-27 the vote being 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent (Wehr), in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2025-27 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 6:07 P.M.

Dippel indicated that this was the date, time and place for the public hearing for an additional appropriation for the Opioid Settlement Restricted Fund in the amount of

\$45,000.00 to be used for the purchase of 2 LUCAS Devices and accessories to be used for mitigation of opioid misuse.

The Mayor opened the public hearing for the additional appropriation.

The Mayor asked for comments. No comments were received.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by McPherron and carried to close the public hearing.

A motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bolte and carried to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-28 entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR  
THE 2025 BUDGET YEAR  
(\$45,000.00 Opioid Settlement Restricted Fund)**

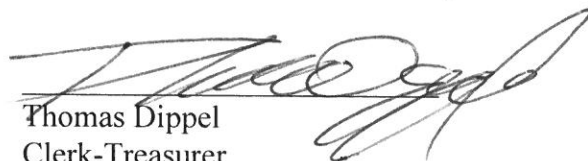
Upon call of roll for the adoption or rejection of Ordinance No. 2025-28 the vote being 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent (Wehr), in favor of adoption, Ordinance No. 2025-28 was duly passed and adopted this date at the hour of 6:10 P.M.

Katrina Cox addressed the Council concerning problems with a neighbor's unleashed dog repeatedly damaging their fence, and causing safety concerns for her children and dogs. She noted repeatedly calling the police is not helping and questioned the point of the dog running at large ordinance if there is no enforcement. The Mayor indicated that he and Police Chief Kramer will get with Cox and the dog owner to address the issue.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Kissling, seconded by Bolte and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:27 P.M.



M. Neil Elkins  
Mayor

  
Thomas Dippel  
Clerk-Treasurer